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In re Application of:)
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Renato CARETTA et al.)
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AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action mailed March 6, 2003, the period for reply having been extended for three months by a Petition for Extension of Time and fee filed with this Amendment, please amend this application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 28 of this paper.

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The items checked below are attached:

- ☒ Amendment (33 pages);
- ☒ Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) (3 pages);
- ☒ Form PTO 1449 (1 page);
- ☒ Six (6) references and one (1) English-language translation (107 pages);
- ☒ Petition for Extension of Time (three month) (1 page); and
- ☒ Check in the amount of \$1,962.00 (\$1,032.00—extra-claim fee and \$930.00—three-month extension fee).

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Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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